



**City of St. Joseph/ Buchanan County, Missouri
Opioid Settlement Funds Application for Funding**



Funding Objectives & Limitations

The following *Funding Objectives* and *Funding Limitations* are taken directly from the Memorandum of Understanding established between the City of St. Joseph and Buchanan County, adopted December 11, 2023. The Review Board will evaluate applications based on these objectives and limitations:

Section 3. Funding Objectives. Projects, initiatives, and/or activities selected to receive an allocation from opioid settlement funds should meet some or all of the following objectives:

- (a) Filling substance use prevention, treatment and recovery gaps within the City and the County, addressing unmet substance use prevention needs.
- (b) Supporting progressive, sustainable resources for the prevention of substance use disorders.
- (c) Supporting local substance use treatment and recovery services and organizations.
- (d) Supporting people in recovery from opioid use disorder ("OUD") and any co-occurring substance use disorder ("SUD")/mental health ("MH") conditions, through evidence-based or evidence-informed programs or strategies.
- (e) Supporting connections to care for people who have – or are at risk of developing – OUD and any co-occurring SUD/MH conditions, through evidence-based or evidence-informed programs or strategies.
- (f) Supporting efforts to address the needs of persons with OUD and any co-occurring SUD/MH conditions who are involved in, at risk of becoming involved in, or transitioning out of the criminal justice system through evidence-based or evidence-informed programs or strategies.
- (g) Supporting efforts to address the needs of pregnant or parenting women with OUD and any co-occurring SUD/MH conditions, as well as the needs of their families, including babies with neonatal abstinence syndrome ("NAS"), through evidence-based or evidence-informed programs or strategies.

(h) Promoting evidence-based education targeted toward youth and families, including general community educational efforts and outreach.

(i) Supporting networking, connections, and communication between City and County leadership, community organizations, citizens, and other interested parties.

(j) Increasing data collection and dissemination to promote evidence-based approaches to substance use prevention, education, treatment, and recovery.

(k) Combining funded initiatives with low and no-cost treatment, prevention, and education strategies.

Section 4. Funding Limitations.

(a) Funding must correlate to the approved uses for (i) treatment, (ii) prevention, and/or (iii) education set out in “Schedule B,” which was developed based upon the award language contained in the lawsuits. See **Attachment 1**, which is incorporated herein by reference as though fully set forth herein.

(b) Funding must be utilized for services or initiatives occurring in and directly benefiting the City and/or the County. Funds cannot be utilized for patient visits, clients, services, organizations, or initiatives occurring outside of the City and/or the County.

For additional information regarding the Opioid Settlement Fund application, or clarification on the application review process, please contact:

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